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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR ONE FEDERAL AVIATION
ADMINISTRATION GRANT AND ONE STATE MATCHING FUND GRANT
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE II OF A SECURITY CONTROL SYSTEM
AND GATED AIRPORT ACCESS ROAD TO THE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL
TOWER AT WHITEMAN AIRPORT, PACOIMA
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Director of Public Works to apply for a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) construction grant in the amount of \$150,000 to provide 90 percent of the funds, and to apply for a State matching fund grant in the amount of \$7,500 to provide approximately 5 percent of the funds for Phase II of a project to construct a security control system and gated airport access road to the air traffic control tower at Whiteman Airport, in the Pacoima area of the City of Los Angeles.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works to execute such documents and process such agreements as necessary for the acceptance of the FAA and State grants.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

We are recommending that your Board authorize the Director of Public Works to apply for an FAA construction grant in the amount of \$150,000 to provide 90 percent of the funds, and a State matching fund grant in the amount of \$7,500 to provide approximately

5 percent of the funds for Phase II of a project to complete construction of a security control system and gated airport access road to the air traffic control tower at Whiteman Airport.

On May 29, 2001, your Board approved an FAA construction grant application in the amount of \$150,000 for a project to construct an airport access road to the air traffic control tower at Whiteman Airport. The FAA has notified us that additional funding is available to expand the scope of the project to include a security control system and a gated access for the new road to the air traffic control tower.

The FAA has formally notified us that grant funding is available during this Federal fiscal year for Phase II of the construction project. The State Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics, agrees that this project is eligible for a State matching fund grant that will total 5 percent of the FAA grant amount. Formal applications are the next step for this project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility as the FAA grant will provide 90 percent of the funds from the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) and the State matching grant will provide approximately 5 percent of the funds from the California-Aid-to-Airports Program (CAAP).

It also satisfies the Goal of Service Excellence by providing a more user-friendly and secure access to the Whiteman Airport control tower by both air traffic controllers and the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The FY 2001-02 Aviation Capital Projects Fund budget provides the necessary funds to finance approximately 5 percent of the County's matching share for this project.

The FAA grant commitment is the main funding source which will provide 90 percent of the funds for this project. The CAAP will finance 5 percent of the FAA grant amount, and the Aviation Capital Projects Fund has sufficient funds available to finance approximately 5 percent of the County's matching share for this project. There will be no net County cost associated with this project.

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FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The project is categorically exempt, as specified in Class 1(i) and (n) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, Synopsis 57.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Not applicable for these administrative procedures.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Not applicable for these administrative procedures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

All users of the airport will benefit from the completion of this project, which will result in increased safety and security for the air traffic controllers and airport users/tenants.

CONCLUSION

Please return four (4) approved copies of this Board letter to the Department of Public Works, Aviation Division, for further processing.

It is further requested that conformed copies of this letter be distributed to:

- a. County Counsel
- b. Auditor-Controller
- c. Chief Administrative Office

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office, County Counsel